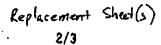
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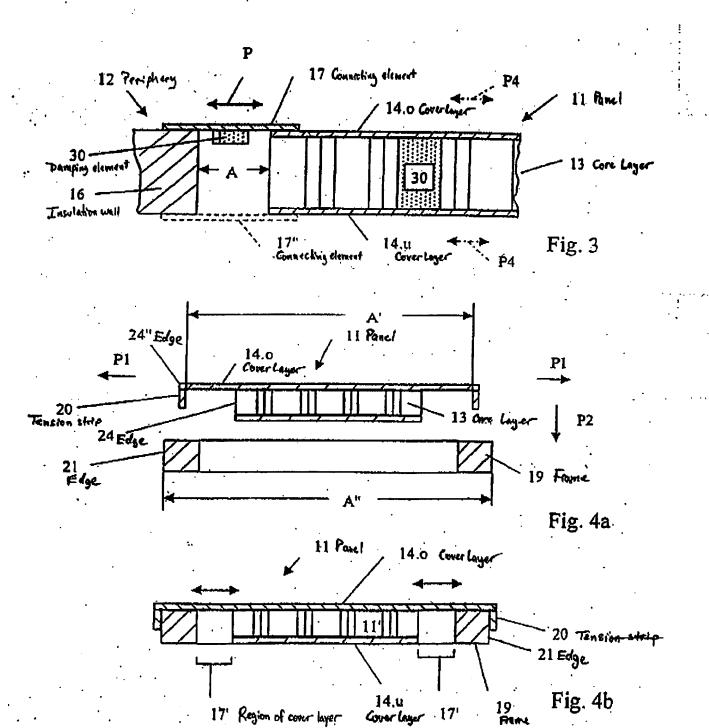
AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Figs. 4b and 5b are amended to indicate that reference number 17' refers to "Region of cover layer" rather than to "connecting element." Support for this amendment may be found, among other places, at page 8, line 11 and line 24 of the specification as filed.

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